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the following rail shipments crossed the border, in the directions indicated, during the period from 15 through 20 August 1952

B - boxcar	F - flatcar
C/B - converted boxcar	T - tank car
G - gondola car	R - refrigerator car

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Date	Number	Load
in	and Type	
August	of Cars	

From To

a. Westbound shipments:

15	4 F 1 G	ore	Brest-Litovsk	Dresden
	3 F 11 G	pig iron	"	Schwerin, Halle Magdeburg, Henriksdorf, Ziltendorf
	5 B 23 G	"	"	Brandenburg, Hennigsdorf, Magdeburg, Drfurt, Cottbus Halle, Dresden

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13 B	cotton	"	Dresden
3 B	military goods	"	Muellrose
1 B	"	"	Wolgast
56 B	empty grain shuttle train	Frankfurt/ border	toward Eberswalde (2) for parking

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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
15	46 G 12 F	ore	Brest- Litovsk	Ziltendorf (3)	
16	4 G	pig iron	"	Brandenburg, Thale	
	2 T	brown coal tar oil	"	Erkner	
	10 T	cotton seed oil	"	Wittenberge, Rostock	
	2 T	turpentine oil	"	Eisenspalterei	
	1 T	benzol	"	Herseburg	
	7 G	iron manganese ore	"	Chemnitz,Krossen	
	27 T	empty	"	Grosskorbetha (4)	
	6 B	military goods	"	Altenburg	
	10 B	"	"	Heidenau	
	36 B	ammunition	"	Kopen (5)	
	9 R	butter	"	Erfurt,Dresden (6)	
	6 B 16 B	cinnamon cotton	"	"	
	1 R	butter	"	Falkenstein (6)	
	1 B	cinnamon	"	Heidenau	
	5 B 2 B	sheep wool tungsten	"	Leipzig	
	1 B	sheep's wool	"	Langenfeld	
	1 B	lead	"	Meissen	
	4 B	cellulose	"	Muskau	
	3 T	benzol	"	Herseburg	
	8 B	carbon black	"	Halle, Erfurt Weissenfels Auerbach, Oschatz	
	1 B	cognac	"	Heidenau	
17	48 F	new trucks	"	toward Uberswalde (7)	
	11 G	pig iron	"	Brandenburg	
	6 T	turpentine oil	"	Eisenspalterei Erkner	

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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
17	10 T	cotton seed oil	Brest-Litovsk	Wittenberge, Rostock	
	24 G	ore	"	Ziltendorf (3)	
	28 G	pig iron	"	Halle, Magdeburg Dresden, Hennigsdorf, Erfurt	
	36 T	empty	"	Leipzig, Gross-Korbetha (4)	
	2 T	cotton seed oil	"	Wittenberge	
12 B	cotton, raw	"	Dresden		
2 B	bast fibre				
4 B	military goods	"	Muellrose	25X1	
14 F	new trucks	"	Haldensleben		
2 B	escort personnel	"	Koenigswuster-		
5 F	new trucks	"	hausan (7)		
2 B	escort personnel	"	Niederlehme (7)		
5 F	12 new trucks	"	25X1		
19	42 G	ore	"	Ziltendorf (3)	
	51 F	unnumbered new trucks	"	Koenigsbrueck	
			25X1	Neuruppin	
1 B	military goods	"	Jessen (3)		
1 B	escort personnel				
20	13 B	ammunition	"	Toepchin	
	15 F	8-ton aircraft crates without numbers	"	Cottbus (9)	
	1 B	escort personnel			
	2 F	girders	"	Magdeburg	
	3 F	girders and structural iron	"	Halle	
	2 F	structural iron	"	Erfurt	
	14 F	sheet iron structural iron and rails	"	Riesa and Chemnitz	
	9 B	military goods	"	Frankfurt/Oder	25X1
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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
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20	13 T	empty	Brest-Litovsk	Leipzig	
	3 F	girders	"	Erfurt	
	3 F	"	"	Wiederitzsch	
	27 F	sheet iron, structural iron and rails	"	Chemnitz	25X1

b. Eastbound shipments:

15	6 F	new Soviet gauge wheel sets			
	11 F	new express train coaches			25X1
	6 F	new railroad cars suitable for the shipment of bitumen	Frank- furt/Oder border	Brest- Litovsk	
	1 F	1 x 25-ton rail- road crane			
	12 G	empty			
	46 B	uranium ore	Aue	" (11)	
	7 B	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder border	"	
	40 F				
	7 G				
	16 F	crane parts	Leipzig	"	
	5 B	bookbinder's supplies			
	7 F	field railway flatcars	Halle	" (10)	
	4 F	machine parts	Nordhausen	"	
	35 F	machinery	Magdeburg	"	
	7 G				
	2 G	disconnecting switches	Dresden	"	
	3 F	machine parts	Sangerhausen	"	
	4 F	crane parts	Wiederitzsch	"	
	1 F	dump trucks for foundries	Chemnitz	" (10)	
	5 B	potash caustic soda solution	Bitterfeld	"	
	4 T				

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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
15	3 F	machinery	Zwickau	Brest- Litovsk	
	6 F 3 B	containers kitchen utensils	Thale	"	
	12 B	ammonium nitrate of lime	Wolfen	Roppen	
16	25 B 6 F 3 G	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder border	"	
	27 F 1 B	trucks escort personnel	Templin	Brest- (7) Litovsk	25X1
	17 SSyms- type flatcars 12 G	empty	Frankfurt/ Oder border	"	
	16 RRym - type flatcars with sideracks 8 G	"	"	"	(12)
	76 B 48 G 17 F	undetermined	"	"	
	20 T	gasoline	Boehlen	Zhabinka (4)	25X1
	28 G	empty	Frankfurt/ Oder	Brest- Litovsk	
	46 B	uranium ore	"	" (11)	
	56 B	undetermined	"	"	
	42 F 1 B	trucks escort personnel	Jueterbog	" (7)	
	34 T	gasoline	Boehlen	Zhabinka	
	18 T	empty	Frankfurt/ Oder	Brest- Litovsk	
	40 F 1 B	trucks escort personnel	Jueterbog	"	
17	56 G	empty	Berlin-Rummels- burg	"	
	50 B	potash	Leimbach	Roppen	
	38 T	gasoline	Boehlen	Zhabinka (4)	

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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
17	57 B	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder	Brest- Litovsk	
13 G	38 T	alcohol empty	Dessau	"	(4)
13 B	13 B	nitrate of lime	Wolfen	Poland	
12 B	5 B	carbon block carbide	Piesteritz	"	
7 B	7 B	cardboard	Lichicht	"	
3 G	3 G	clay pipes	Ceswig	"	
37 F	37 F	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder border	Brest- Litovsk	
6 G	6 G	"	Gross (sic)	"	
4 F	4 F	new flatcars	Halle	"	(10)
1 B	1 B	clay pipes	Roerlingen(sic)	"	
22 B	22 B	acetic acid	Morseburg	"	
3 B	3 B	an undetermined type of acid			
6 B	6 B	porcelain	Kahla	"	
1 F	1 F	machinery	Saalfeld	"	
7 B	7 B	fire hoses	Bad Blankenburg	"	

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19	55 B	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder border	Brest- Litovsk	
43 F	43 F	used trucks	Stendal	"	
1 B	1 B	escort personnel			
40 F	40 F	used trucks	Wolmirstedt	"	
56 ?	56 ?	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder border	"	
23 T	23 T	gasoline	Boehlen	Zhabinka (4)	
49 ?	49 ?	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder border	Brest- Litovsk	
50 B	50 B	potash	Leimbach	Reppen	
48 ?	48 ?	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder border	Brest- Litovsk	
13 F	13 F	machinery	Degdeburg	"	
13 G	13 G				

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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
19	7 B	an undeter- mined type of acid	Hersberg	Brest- Litovsk	
	2 B	perfol (a super- polyamide, packing foil)	Bitterfeld	"	
	6 G	pure phenol	Grosskor- betha	"	
	4 B	cellulose	Eilenburg	"	
	? F	machine parts	Zeitz	"	
	2 F	measuring equipment	Leipzig	"	
	1 G				
	9 B	bicycles	Suhl	"	
	6 F	machinery	Saalfeld	"	
	6 F	field railway cars	Halle	" (10)	
	14 B	sections of prefabricated houses	Dresden	"	
	1 G				
	12 F	crane parts	Wiederitzsch	"	
	1 B	carbide	Piesteritz	"	
	6 G	stoves	Radebeul	"	
	6 B	porcelain	Kahla	"	
	7 B	special hoses	Bad Blankenburg	"	
	24 G	television sets	Radeberg	"	
	4 B	paper	Penig	"	
	2 G	iron tubes	Muskau	"	
	4 B	insulators	Koessnitz	"	
	4 B	kitchen utensils	Eisenach	"	
	1 G	crane parts	Eisenspalterei	"	
	10 F				
20	31 T	methanol	Grosskorbetha	" (4)	

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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
20	1 T	ethyl alcohol	Dessau	Brest-Litovsk	
	6 T	undetermined	Morseburg	"	
	3 T	caustic soda solution	Bitterfeld	"	
42	F	used trucks	Jueterbog	"	
1	B	escort personnel			
47	?	undetermined	Frankfurt/Oder border	"	
46	B	uranium ore	Johann-georgenstadt	"	
33	F	machinery	Nordhausen Magdeburg Leipzig	"	
46	B	sections of prefabricated houses	Rummelsburg	"	
10	G				
44	B	potash	Dorndorf	Reppen	
56	?	weapons (?)	Frankfurt/Oder border	Brest-Litovsk	
1	B	escort personnel			
45	F	used trucks	Roederau	"	
6	B	military goods	"	"	
1	B	electrical equipment	Berlin-Ostbahnhof	"	
8	G				
5	F	electrodes	Raguhn	"	
3	B	meteorological equipment	Warnemuende	"	
3	B	piece goods	various stations	"	
6	B	kitchen utensils	Thale	"	
5	F	enameled containers			
1	G				
3	F	railroad equipment	Berlin-Weissensee	"	
10	F	boiler sections	Riesa	"	

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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To
20	10 D 1 B	carbide rubber boots	Piesteritz	Brest- Litovsk
	5 B	kitchen utensils	Thale	"
	10 F	television sets	Radeberg	"
	1 F	machinery	Teltow	Poland
	6 G	machine parts	Leipzig	"
	1 B	generators	Berlin- Osthafen	"
	2 B	typewriters	Erfurt	"
	1 B	machinery	Soemmerda	"
	20 B	nitrate of ammonium sulphate	Wolfen	"
	1 F	machinery	Berlin- Osthafen	"
	4 B	machinery	Berlin- Ostbahnhof	Ostfor (?) (China)

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2. Rail shipments

passing through Frankfurt/Oder,
in the directions indicated, during the period from 14 through 17
August 1952 included:

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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To
a. Eastbound				
14	1 B 44 F	undetermined	Neuruppin	Brest- Litovsk
	28 T	gasoline	Boehlen	"
	46	undetermined	Templin	"
	30 T	gasoline	Boehlen	"
	45 F 1 C/B	undetermined	Jucterbog Altes-Lager	"
16	43	undetermined	Weisswasser	"
17	19	gasoline	Boehlen	Zhabinka

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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
b. Westbound					
14	40	undetermined	Brest-Litovsk	Guestrow	
15	36 B 10	ammunition crash cars	"	Prenzlau (13)	
16	26	ammunition	"	Guestrow (13)	
17	12	undetermined	"	Haldensleben	
	27	undetermined	"	Boetzow	

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Comments.

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- (2) This westbound empty grain shuttle train indicates that the East German grain import program which was started in January 1952, is essentially completed.
(3) Raw material deliveries for the Foundry Combine East near Fuerstenberg on the Oder River.
(4) Deliveries by East German hydrogenation plants to the U.S.S.R. and returning empty tank cars.
(5) A large ammunition depot of the GOMG is located in Kapen.
(6) Refrigerator cars operating between the U.S.S.R. and East Germany.

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- (7) These shipments are connected with the motor vehicle replacement program.

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- Until 14 August 1952, a total of 3,373 new motor vehicles arrived in Eastern Germany.
(8) A large ordnance and equipment depot of the GOMG is located in Jessen.
(9) From the weight of these crates it is believed that they contained jet fighters. In late July, the bomber regiment stationed at Cottbus airfield moved to Jueterbog. It was anticipated that the field would be reoccupied.

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- (10) Deliveries by East German railroad car factories to the U.S.S.R.

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- The Soviet gauge wheel sets sent along will be used on the Soviet railroad system.

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- (11) The dispatch to the U.S.S.R. of empty heavy-duty flatcars indicates that new tanks will arrive in East Germany soon.

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- The new Rlym-type cars can carry two tanks each.
(13) The shipments dispatched to Guestrow were probably for the former German Army ammunition depot in Guestrow-Friemerswald. This ammunition depot, was occupied by the Soviets at the end of the war, vacated in late 1949 and occupied by Volkspolizei (VP) in January 1950. A VP tank school and a large tank repair shop are located there. The ammunition shipment to Prenzlau was probably also for VP, possibly for the 1st VP corps or army which is being activated in this area.

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